



INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT

2010-08-0215

September 17, 2012

SUMMARY OF SPD BENEFITS INVESTIGATIONS (STUDENT DEPENDENTS)

Inspector General David O. Thomas reports after multiple investigations by OIG Special Agents and OIG Attorneys, as follows:

Reports involving case number 2010-08-0152 have been issued by the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) since December 14, 2011 to summarize its findings in cases arising out of a statewide audit of state employee benefits by the State Personnel Department (SPD). SPD contracted with AON to conduct this audit to confirm the eligibility of all dependents carried by state employees on their health insurance plans.

Several of the cases referred by SPD to the OIG for investigation involved state employees with dependents whose eligibility was based on SPD's requirements for student dependents. In investigating these claims, OIG Special Agents found that state employees may have received inconsistent advice about how the policy on student dependents applied in their situation. This group of cases was presented to the Marion County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, but criminal prosecution was declined. We agree with those dispositions due to the

above circumstances. Of course, this prosecution decision may be re-evaluated if additional evidence is brought forward.

As with prior reports, each of these cases involved a different set of factual circumstances and a separate investigation; therefore, each case is individually reported with the relevant information regarding the dependent's student history.

Dated this 17th day of September, 2012.

APPROVED BY:

/s/ David O. Thomas, Inspector General